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An Implantable Medical Device)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS: Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated July 5, 2006. The Office Action set a three-month period for response, thus making this paper due on or before **October 5, 2006**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for a one-month extension of time and any additional fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendment to the Abstract appears on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings appear on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.